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# Memorandum



TO : Carl

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FROM :

SUBJECT: Project Officers Handbook

1. John Crowley called and appeared to be rather upset over the Project Officers Handbook because somebody had evidently been telling some of his guys that it was mandatory on everything including NRO funds, and his reaction depends upon whether the Handbook is a mandatory item or a guide, etc., etc.

2. I told John I thought at this stage of the game it was a trial run as a mandatory guide for only Agency R&D funds, but that this should certainly cause no problem because it was loaded with lots of options and flexibility. Even so, apparently one of the scares had been that John's guys would have to show up with a big schedule of project reviews on their NRO projects. This is silly, of course, because John has this under first class control and has a far more comprehensive program in being than what is spelled out in the Handbook as a suggestion.

3. I told John that ultimately a single system for both NRO and Agency funds would be nice, and that I was sure that  was thinking about this, but that nothing final could happen for at least a year during which time the Handbook was getting a shake down on Agency business.

4. Even so, John appears to be anxious to make considerably more use of the Handbook than what we had anticipated, and requested an additional 8 copies for his office!!!!

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